

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-17 were pending prior to the Office Action. In the current amendment, claims 1-13 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 16 is canceled and the features therein are incorporated into independent claim 14. As a result, claims 14-15 and 17 are pending, of which claim 14 is independent.

Applicants appreciate Examiner's indication that claims 16 and 17 include allowable subject matter.

Examiner objects to claims 1, 5, 7 and 9 for informalities. The objection is rendered moot. Applicants respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

Examiner rejects claims 7-9 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. The rejection is rendered moot. Applicants respectfully request that the Section 112, first paragraph rejection be withdrawn.

Examiner rejects claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on various combinations of references Chaskar et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0196808), Karagiannis et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0018810), Kankaanpaa ("Candidate Access Router Discovery"), Krishnamurthi et al. (U.S.

Publication No. 2003/0174667), Hsu et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0176024), and Applicants' Admitted Prior Art.

The rejections with regard to claims 1-13 are rendered moot. Independent claim 14 is amended to incorporate features of claim 16 which is indicated to recite allowable subject matter. Therefore claim 14 and dependent claims 15 and 17 are allowable. Applicants respectfully request that the rejections based on prior art references be withdrawn.

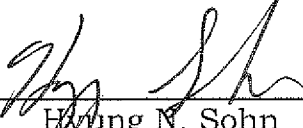
All objections and rejections raised in the Office Action having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Hyung Sohn (Reg. No. 44,346), to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

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